

## FREE SPEECH LEADER SELLS GOMPERS' THEME DISEASED CATTLE

### In Annual Report to American Federation Continues Boldly to Discuss Court Action in Famous Contempt Case.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Toronto, Ont., Nov. 8.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today reviewed the famous case in which he, John Mitchell and Secretary Morrison were sentenced to jail in the District of Columbia for violation of an injunction, in his report to the twenty-ninth international convention of the organization in session here. He declared that he believed eventual good would come from the case, saying:  
"I know that the people of our country and the labor movement will be found united in patriotic protest against the curtailment of the liberties for which our forefathers struggled in order that we might be free."  
Upwards of 600 delegates were in their seats when President Gompers called the convention to order. Occupying places of honor on the platform with the officers and executive council were J. R. Clynes and A. H. Gill, members of the British parliament, who were presented as fraternal delegates from the British Trades Union congress.  
Routine matters were considered at the opening session. The presentation of the credentials was the first matter on the program, and occupied considerable time. This was followed by the address of President Gompers and the annual reports of the other officers of the federation.  
**Important Question in Issue.**  
One of the interesting fights expected to come to a head at the convention is the threatened split in the ranks over the action of the federation in forfeiting the charter of the Cleveland central labor union as the result of the quarrel with the electrical workers' union in that city. The question at issue is the right of the federation to interfere with matters relating to central bodies of the various cities of the United States.  
President Gompers is out for reelection, and it is generally believed he will be successful. The majority of the other officers are also candidates for reelection, and it seems likely that no changes will result.  
**Gompers' Report.**  
President Gompers in his report dealt with the question of injunctions, eight—  
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### Investigation of Dairy Herd Shows Many Cows on the Experiment Farm Are Infected With Tuberculosis; Director Dismissed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Moscow, Idaho, Nov. 8.—Bovine cattle infected with tuberculosis were sold from the experiment farm of the University of Idaho by Director H. T. French his services were dispensed with by the board of regents, according to startling disclosures brought out in the present investigation of the trouble between Professor French and the board of regents by a committee representing the Boise Valley Pomona grange.  
It has been shown that in March of this year Professor French, desiring to reduce the herd of cattle on the experiment farm, sold five steers and two cows to local butchers. One of the steers was dressed and exhibited in a local butcher shop for the inspection of members of a farmers' institute in session at Moscow. The two cows were butchered and sold to citizens of Moscow. After they had been butchered it was discovered that both cows had been suffering from tuberculosis in an advanced stage.  
**No Examination Made.**  
Pren Moore, the foreman of the experiment farm, immediately reported this fact to Professor French. About three weeks later four steers which remained in the herd were delivered to the butcher, who sold them for meat. While the steers were not badly infected, they had been subjected to contagion, as they had been running with the tubercular cows. According to the facts brought out in the recent investigation none of these cattle was ever examined by Professor French or his assistants to determine whether they were infected with tuberculosis.  
The records of the experiment farm show that in the spring of 1907 Professor French purchased three heifers from Mayor B. T. Byrnes for use on the college farm. None of these cattle was examined for symptoms of tuberculosis, but they were permitted to range with other cattle on the farm.  
About six months after they were purchased one of the heifers was killed by order of Professor French, and it was discovered that she had tuberculosis of the lungs.  
**Victims of Tuberculosis.**  
In November, 1906, Perfection's Maid, a prize heifer, was killed by direction of Professor French because she had tuberculosis. This heifer's mother was one of the infected cows sold to butchers in March, 1908, and eaten by citizens of Moscow and students of the university.  
Another prize milk cow, Rose, Welcome, was killed on May 3, 1909, by direction of an agent of the United States bureau of animal husbandry because she had tuberculosis. Milk from this cow had been sold to the creamery department.  
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## SEALED COURT ORDERS TAKE PLACE OF ASTOR'S MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE-DIVORCE GRANTED



The above picture shows Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Astor together for perhaps the last time. It was taken last May, when Mrs. Astor, bidding her husband good-bye, sailed for Europe. Returning incognito on Oct. 15, she went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Guinness, in New York, and there began divorce proceedings. Mr. Astor meanwhile having sailed three days before her arrival on his yacht, is cruising in Cuban waters, evidently uninclined to defend himself. The suit was quietly placed in the hands of a referee.

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New York, Nov. 8.—Mrs. John Jacob Astor was today granted a divorce from her husband, Colonel John Jacob Astor, the New York millionaire. Mrs. Astor has been for years the acknowledged leader of New York's "400," and the news that she had applied for a divorce recently created a sensation among the smart set.  
The hearing was held behind closed doors and the reason for Mrs. Astor's separation suit has never been given to the public.  
Justice Mills, who handed down the decision, granted Mrs. Astor an absolute divorce and ordered that the papers in the case be sealed. As there is only one ground in New York upon which an absolute divorce may be granted, society people here are anxious to learn the details of the affair and the name of the correspondent in the case. Colonel Astor, who offered no defense to the suit, is now cruising in southern waters.  
**\$10,000,000 in Lien of Alimony.**  
The proceedings consumed less than a minute in open court. Everything possible was done to prevent the details of the case from becoming known.  
Attorney Cadwalader appeared before Justice Mills and handed him a bundle of papers, saying:  
"I wish to present to you the report of C. H. Young, the referee in the Astor case, and ask that it be confirmed."  
Justice Mills nodded and said:  
"I have read the report and believe it warrants the relief desired."  
The justice then instructed Attorney Cadwalader to draw up a decree of absolute divorce in Mrs. Astor's favor and said he would sign it.  
Cadwalader bowed and stood as if waiting for something.  
"Oh, yes," broke to Justice Mills, "all papers in the Astor case are hereby ordered to be placed under the court's seal."  
This means that the correspondent in the case probably will never be known. It is reported that Mrs. Astor is to receive a lump sum of \$10,000,000 in lieu of alimony and is to have the custody of the daughter, while the son remains with Colonel Astor.

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Chicago, Nov. 8.—The engagement between Edward L. Cudahy, the son of the millionaire packer, and Miss Nora Brewer of San Francisco was never broken and the stories current recently to the effect that the young man called off the engagement for the reason that he is suffering from tuberculosis of the bones of the feet, are false, according to a statement by Mrs. Michael Cudahy, the mother of Edward, to the United Press today.  
Edward, who is in this city, likewise denied the reports that the engagement was broken.  
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## WILL WAR WHEN CONGRESS MEETS

### Cummins Says There Will Be a Fierce Battle Right From the Start.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, Nov. 8.—That the battle between the insurgents and the standpatters will be resumed at the instant congress reassembles and will continue throughout the session, was the statement made here today by Senator Cummins. Senator Cummins will leave for Washington tonight to confer with President Taft regarding the sentiment in the west.  
The senator says the insurgents are eagerly awaiting President Taft's message, as they believe it will determine some of the points at issue between the warring factions.  
Cummins also believes the proposed interstate commerce legislation and the proposed amendments to the corporation laws will be the big issues during the coming session.  
Danville, Ill., Nov. 8.—Speaker Joseph Cannon of Illinois today refused to discuss the speech of Senator Cummins on Saturday night at which time Cummins threw down the "insurgent" gauntlet to the "standpatters."

## TOWN HAS FIRST FUNERAL AND ITS FIRST GRAVEYARD

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Lodi, N. D., Nov. 8.—For the first time in its history this town was the scene yesterday of a funeral. Incidentally a cemetery, the only one in town, was opened up today. The graveyard contains only one body and it is that of L. T. Parkins, who was killed near here late last week, in an automobile accident.  
Residents protested against Parkins being buried here, but his relatives were obdurate. Seeing that it was useless to protest against it the residents turned out en masse and in addition to it being the first funeral ever held in the city it turned out to be the biggest affair in the history of the town.  
A cemetery was established on a bluff above the Missouri river and Parkins' body was buried there.  
As there is no hearse in the town a dray was used to carry the body to the cemetery.

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## OGDEN MAN OFFERS \$80,000 FOR FIGHT

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Ogden, Utah, Nov. 8.—Telegrams were sent to Jack Johnson and James J. Jeffries at New York today by "Jimmy" Dunn, offering a purse of \$80,000 for the Jeffries-Johnson fight to be held in Ogden during the National Woolgrowers' convention, January 3 to 5. Dunn says he will build an auditorium if he is successful in securing the fight.

## SAM J. CAMERON DIES AT NORTH YAKIMA

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
North Yakima, Wash., Nov. 8.—Senator Sam J. Cameron died here this evening after a brief illness. He had lived in the Yakima valley since 1888, being prominently associated in the sheep business.  
Previous to settling in the Yakima valley he was a sheepherder in Oregon, spending two years in that state.  
He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Helen and Marion, and a son, Donald; four sisters, two of whom live here, Mary and Jean, and one brother, John.

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## NINE VICTIMS OF FIRE IN CELLULOSE FACTORY; 10 INJURED

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New York, Nov. 8.—Nine persons, eight of them workmen and one a boy, perished in a fire which destroyed a celluloid factory at 152 Columbia street, Brooklyn, today, and caused a panic among the employees which resulted in 10 workmen being seriously injured and a score sustaining painful cuts and bruises from jumping from the third story of the burning structure.  
Six of the nine men burned to death were trapped behind iron barred windows on the lower floor. The six victims, being shut in by the flames, struggled vainly at the bars. As the flames approached they were actually roasted to death in sight of those on the street. Their horrible cries of agony were heard for blocks away. The work of the fire was swift, however, that aid was impossible. Within the half realization of the predicament and the utter hopelessness of escape, and face to face with death in its most terrible form, these frenzied men gave vent to cries such as human ears seldom hear. Stout hearted firemen, hardened by years of service in which they have been in contact with anguish and distress, were sickened by this unequalled exhibition of human suffering.  
The origin of the fire is unknown. Seven bodies have been taken from the ruins and a search is being made for the other two.  
The factory was owned by William Morris & Son.  
The fire started on the second floor. Before the alarm could be sounded the flames had spread to the stairways leading to the third floor. With no way to escape except by jumping, the employees above became panic stricken and fought frantically to reach the windows. Those who reached them first hurled themselves through the glass without stopping to raise the sash and many of them were painfully cut. Two were seriously injured by the 25 foot fall to the ground.

## BANK SAFE RIFLED; CASHIER SUICIDE

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Hampden, Idaho, Nov. 8.—J. J. Ochsler, cashier of the State Bank of Middletown, a town nine miles north of here, was found dead at 1 p. m. today at the river near Middletown. His right hand gripped a pistol with which he had shot himself.  
His disappearing yesterday and no trace of him was had until a boy found his body today. The body was still warm.  
Ochsler leaves a wife and 10-year-old daughter. The bank was robbed about two weeks ago and the safe blown open. Suspect developments are reported.

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## PRESS FEEDERS QUIT THEIR JOBS

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
San Francisco, Nov. 8.—Demanding an increase in wages which amounts practically to 25 per cent, the press feeders of all the commercial printing establishments are out today. It is expected that the difference will be made satisfactorily adjusted before tomorrow night.

## BURLINGTON BUNKO GANG GETS VICTIMS

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Portland, Nov. 8.—The Burlington Bunko Gang, which has been operating with complete ramifications to prey upon tourists has been unearthed in the arrest Saturday evening of a man going under the name of Frank Watson. Buren is accused of fleeing Emory Buren, Middas, Nev., out of \$400. The system with which this bunko gang is operated is understood when the story of the Nevada man is told.  
Buren states he arrived in Portland Friday evening, and was standing on the street Saturday morning when a stranger engaged him in conversation. The stranger said he was also a tourist, and looking for a place to invest money. The two became quite friendly, and later met the third man, who, after some conversation, offered to give them a "sure tip" of a horse race at Salt Lake.  
To insure the two men he was in earnest he gave them each \$1000 to put on the horse called King Dodo. The men placed his money and won.  
**Money Piled on Table.**  
Buren states a large board, telegraph instruments, and an outfit used by bookmakers were in the room. On the table were piled several thousand dollars, which is considered bogus. Three other men were in the room, when Buren and Watson and the third man entered. Buren states he refused to bet his money, but when they went to a saloon near by and saw that Watson had won such a stake, he offered to bet \$100.  
He had \$500 in his pocketbook and when Watson saw this insisted on betting all of it. The bunko man told Buren that he would guarantee him to double his money and if anything happened that he lost, he would make it right.  
The bunko man further represented to Buren that he would leave with him Saturday evening for San Francisco, where Buren intended to go. After getting his money, he and the other stranger attempted to "lose" their victim, who called for the police and Patrolman C. C. Killigal caught Watson at Park and Washington streets, and placed him under arrest for larceny.  
Buren is unable to give the police the location of the room, where he placed his money, but officers detailed on the case today are making the rounds.  
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